GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1113 ANSWERED ON 11.02.2020

DEVELOPMENT OF TOURIST INFRASTRUCTURE AROUND RELIGIOUS PLACES

1113. DR. ASHOK BAJPAI:

Will the Minister of **TOURISM** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any plan to make use of wealth accumulated with religious places for development of tourist infrastructure around that religious place, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

(a) to (b): Development and maintenance of religious places in the country is the responsibility of the respective state governments. However, under its ongoing scheme viz. Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD) Ministry of Tourism provides financial assistance to the respective State Government for providing pilgrimage tourism infrastructure at the selected destinations/places. The scheme fully financed by the Government of India and there is no provision to use the wealth accumulated with religious places in the country.
